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Dear Mr. Walton,

I remember Tom from his Washington period, when he interviewed me for his underground paper. And I'm an alumnus ofnthe News, from an era that would make Tom think his experiences were sheer joy.

I didn't know the Huntley-Brinkley Report carried that item. It is SOP for the governmentxx to seek to draw the wrong kind of attention to what I force out. In this case I'm surprised that they used the item you cite, for I have a friend there, had backgounded him, and he'd agreed not to call attention to that partocular thing. I knew in advance DJ was making copies available tomx a few selected media people, one of whom told me.

Essentially, there is nothing new to me in the papers I got. I had all of it in the book, having gleaned it from other sources. The chief value here is first, themx official confirmation and then the official misrepresentation. However, by accident I did discover something I cannot discuss and do not want mentioned, something they foolishly think they are withholding from me still. That will be litigated 8/12 unless they deliver it before then. It is but a single xerox, and I'll get it, one way or the other, and it has considerable value but is not part of the extradition.

I pxxx plan no further suits on the Ray material, but I do plan other suits for the JFK material, on some of which I've been working since 11/66, laying a foundation and painstakingly doing two things: exhausting administrative remedies and building a record that will withstand courtroom attack.

I cannot refer you to a single trustworthy recent book or a single dependable news or magazine article of recent date. I have written on on this suit for the National Enquirer. I presume it will be out around the first of the month, but I have no knowledge. Just a guess. Unfortunately, most of what gets into print is wrongly-angled palgiarism, plain crap or sycophancy.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg